AN ORDINANCE OF THE LORDS and COMMONS Assembled in PARLIAMENT,

For

The further ascerteining of the Arreares of the Souldiery upon their

Debentures,

And securing all those that shall Purchase the same.

Die Sabbathi, 22 *April.* 1648.

ORdered by the *Lords Assembled in Parliament, That this Ordinance be forthwith printed and published.*

Ioh. Brown Cler. Parliamentorum.

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WHereas by ſeverall Ordinances of Parliament of the foure and twentieth of *Decemb.* laſt paſt, for ſecurity of the Arrears of the Souldiery, It was and is Ordained and provided, That the monies ariſing out of the remaining part of Biſhops Lands (after ſuch engagements as are charged thereupon ſhould be firſt ſatisfied, ſhall be imployed for the payment of the Arrears due to the Souldiery that have faithfully ſerved the Parliament, and that two third parts of the Lands of all the

Delinquents comprehended in the three firſt qualifications of the Propoſition for Delinquents ſent to the King into the *Iſle of Wight* not then pre-diſpoſed of, or the Fines to be ſet upon thoſe Delinquents ſhould be imployed to the ſame uſe. And further by another Ordinance of Parliament of the ſame date, the ſum of ſix hundred thouſand Pounds is charged upon the moyety of the Receipts of Exciſe, in courſe towards payment of the Arrears of the Army that is to be kept up, and of the ſupernumeraries then appointed to be disbanded. And by another Ordinance of the ſame date, That the ſum of 600000. *l.* was, and is charged upon all and every the ſecurities above mentioned, for the uſes aforeſaid to be in the firſt place ſatisfied. And whereas by ſeverall other Ordinances of Parliament of the ſame date, the Committee of Lords and Commons for the Army, as alſo Commiſſioners in the ſeverall Counties are appointed, and authorized to ſtate and audit the Accompts, and give Debenters for the Arrears of the Souldiery (as well thoſe to be kept up as thoſe then

then to be disbanded; and the Regiſtry of ſuch Debenters is appointed to be kept by ſuch perſon or perſons, as the Committee of Lords and Commons for the Army ſhould nominate and appoint; and that for ſuch Debenters as ſhould be thereupon given out, and ſigned by the ſaid Committee of the Army, and Commiſſioners, or any three of them, and Regiſtred as aforeſaid, the State ſhould be lyable to the payment thereof, and that the ſame ſhall be paid and ſatisfied reſpectively out of the moneyes and ſecurities aſſigned, or ordained as aforeſaid by the Parliament, or further to be Ordained for thoſe uſes, as in and by the ſaid ſeverall Ordinances may appear.

Now the Lords and Commons in Parliament aſſembled, doe hereby further Declare and Ordaine, and it is Ordained by the ſaid Lords and Commons, that for ſuch Debenters as are or ſhall be given out, Signed and Regiſtred as aforeſaid, according to the ſaid Ordinances, the ſums thereby charged (as moneyes ſhall ariſe out of the ſaid ſecurities, and come into the hands of the Treaſurers at

Warre towards the diſcharge thereof) ſhall be ſatisfied and diſcharged by the ſaid Treaſurers upon the Warrant of the ſaid Committee for the Army to the ſeverall and reſpective perſons to whom the ſame by the ſaid Debenters is due, or to their reſpective Aſſignees in courſe according to ſuch Order, method and proportions as by the ſaid Committee of Lords and Commons for the Army (upon advice with the Lord Generall concerning the ſame) ſhall be preſcribed, and ſet downe to the ſaid Treaſurers, and the ſaid Committee of Lords and Commons are to take order that a perfect Liſt of all the Souldiery, to whom ſuch Debenters are, or ſhall be given (expreſſing the ſumme of Arrears to them ſeverally due,) ſhall be made up and kept in ſuch order and courſe as they ſhall be ſet downe and appointed to be paid in as aforeſaid, and that the ſame be kept in a publique and open Regiſtry and that as any of the ſaid Souldiery ſhall be ſatisfied any proportion of their ſaid Arreares, it ſhall be entered and expreſſed in the ſame Regiſtry upon the afore-

foreſaid generall Liſt, ſo as any perſon in the ſaid Liſt, to whom any ſuch Arreares are due or any other in his behalfe may at any time ſee and finde in the ſaid Regiſtry, in what Order Method, or Courſe, and by what proportions he is to be ſatisfied, and who was laſt paid, and when his owne turne or courſe will come, and if any Perſon to whom any Arreares upon ſuch Debenters are or ſhall be due, ſhall ſell or aſſigne the ſame to any other, It is hereby Declared, that the purchaſor, or Aſſignee ſhall duly receive the moneys thereupon due in the ſame order and courſe, and by the ſame Proportions, as the party himſelfe expreſſed in the Debenter ſhould or ought to receive the ſame, and the Acquittance or Acquittances of the party to whom ſuch debenters ſhall be aſſigned as aforeſaid, ſhall be a ſufficient diſcharge for ſuch ſumme and ſummes of money they ſhall receive rhereupon from the Treaſurers at War according to the intent of this preſent Ordinance. And it is hereby further Ordained and declared, that as to the whole Arrear of any

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private Souldier, or non-Commiſſioned Officer, or to any part thereof, or to the firſt moyety of the Arrears of any Commiſſion Officer due upon ſuch Debenter as aforeſaid, there ſhall not (in relation to any Surcharge expected, and not brought in, and made to appeare before the monies become payable according to ſuch courſe as aforeſaid) be any ſtoppe or delay made to the payment hereof in courſe as monies ſhall come for the diſcharge thereof, any thing in any former Ordinance contained to the contrary notwithſtanding.

Joh. Brown (*ler Parliamentorum.*

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